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In re application of)

LYTLE et al)

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For: SERVICEABLE AUXILIARY)
MOUNT)

Examiner: K. Nguyen

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Docket No: DP-300832

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of March 27, 2002 which allowed claims 11 and 18, and maintained a rejection of claims 1-10, and 12-17 under 35 U.S.C. § 103.

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 13 to read as follows:

13. (amended) A connector assembly comprising:

a first connector body having a channel and a mounting slot extending outwardly from an external wall of the first connector body;

a second connector body having a lock tab and a mounting tab, said mounting tab constructed to be releasably received in the mounting slot of the first connector body to connect the first connector body and second connector body together; and

a slide mechanism having a preliminary lock position and a final lock position having an arm with a bayonet slot for receiving a third connector body constructed to be slideably, releasably received in the channel and a lock rail separate from the bayonet slot and extending outwardly from the arm which engages the lock tab to prevent separation of the second connector body and first connector body when the slide mechanism is in the final lock position.